

## Course angers athletics graduates

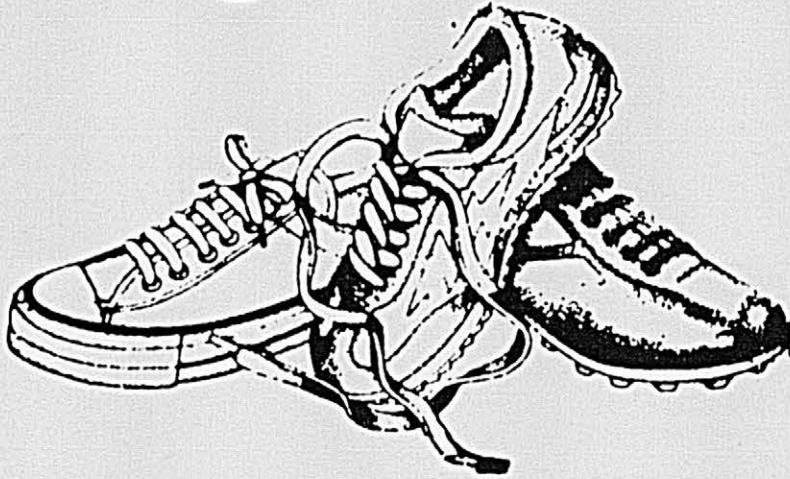
by Susie Petersiel

In December, the McGill Athletics department sent out a flyer advertising their new *Fitness Instructor's Certification* course. Some graduates are upset over a cover letter which suggests that "grade ten or eleven students take the course," and that "there are no prerequisites."

In a letter to the department, Johanne Vaillant, a graduate of McGill's Physical Education programme writes, "Is McGill using its reputation for leadership in physical education in the proper way by inviting people with no pre-requisite training to be a certified fitness instructor?"

"I'm very annoyed with this," she later told *the Daily*. "After you graduate and begin working in the field, you get a letter saying your students can teach like you."

"We're working in quality physical education, and now our students can replace us. We work-



ed for four years and we're still paying back our loans", said Vaillant.

However, Marla Gold, the Fitness Recreation Coordinator, feels that the programme is a good one. "There are a lot of classes being taught in the fitness field today, and some of them are not quality programmes. We're trying to ensure that those in the field

have practical experience and can teach."

"We feel strongly about having quality, safe classes," Gold continued. "Our standards for this course are very high, and we hope the course will provide further professional development for people who want to teach."

Regarding Vaillant's concern about allowing high school

students to participate in the course, McGill's Director of Athletics Bob Dubeau said, "we've agreed that the slip should never have been in there. All those accepted to the course are either senior university students, graduates, or workers in the fitness field."

Vaillant is also concerned that "people will see a certificate from McGill, and not realize that it was only from a 50-hour course."

Dubeau stressed that "we're not in the certification field. Quebec lacks a certification body, and we can't give a certification from McGill for a course like this."

"I'm involved in working on creating a certification body," said Gold, "so we can offer this course and certify people to be instructors."

"We'd like to see a group like that and work closely with it," said Dubeau, "but right now we can only offer a certificate of participation that will detail the

elements of the course."

According to Gold, "the course is intended to enhance and complement any training people have already. You don't have to be a Physical Education graduate to be a teacher. There are people with a higher aptitude to learn and teach."

"There must be serious intention on the part of the participants," she said, "and each is interviewed before he or she signs up. The regulations to pass are very difficult, and we want the students to get the most out of the classes we teach."

"There may have originally been some confusion", according to Dubeau, "but it has all been cleared up. We'll be emphasizing safety, physiology and sports injuries as well as fitness, and I think the programme will be very beneficial to those interested."

"The course is already full, and the majority of the participants are in the Physical Education field," said Gold. "I think it's going to be very well received."

## Women in Islamic revival

by Fatima Jaffer

Women are not simply victims, but are actively participating in the resurgence of Islam, according to University of Massachusetts Professor Yvonne Haddad, who spoke at McGill yesterday evening.

"Privately-owned mosques have become revolutionary cells, where women meet and study the Koran," said Haddad.

Haddad noted that many women are becoming popular preachers and religious authors in Arab countries, and are seen as central to the redemption of Islamic society.

"Women have actually become the arena for these thoughts," she said, in a region currently undergoing an "identity crisis".

"Nationalization has not worked; socialism has not worked; let us try Islam" is a slogan popular in the Arab world, according to Haddad. "Now the women are beginning to believe that too."

Muslim women are returning to Islamic dress for diverse reasons. In Cairo today, a new phenomena of chic designer Islamic wear boutiques has thrown into question the assumption of the austerity and modesty of religious garb. In Saudi Arabia, many women adopt traditional dress so as "not to make it look like they're looking for action," Haddad said. Women also often wear Islamic dress after a pilgrimage to Mecca because they feel no need to beautify themselves.

A new strain has been put on the role of women by the return of migrant workers from the oil-rich

Arab nations. Women in Jordan, Syria and Egypt were introduced to the domestic workforce as thousands of men left to fill positions in OPEC nations. With the oil glut and the return of the men, women are now being pressured to leave their jobs to men.

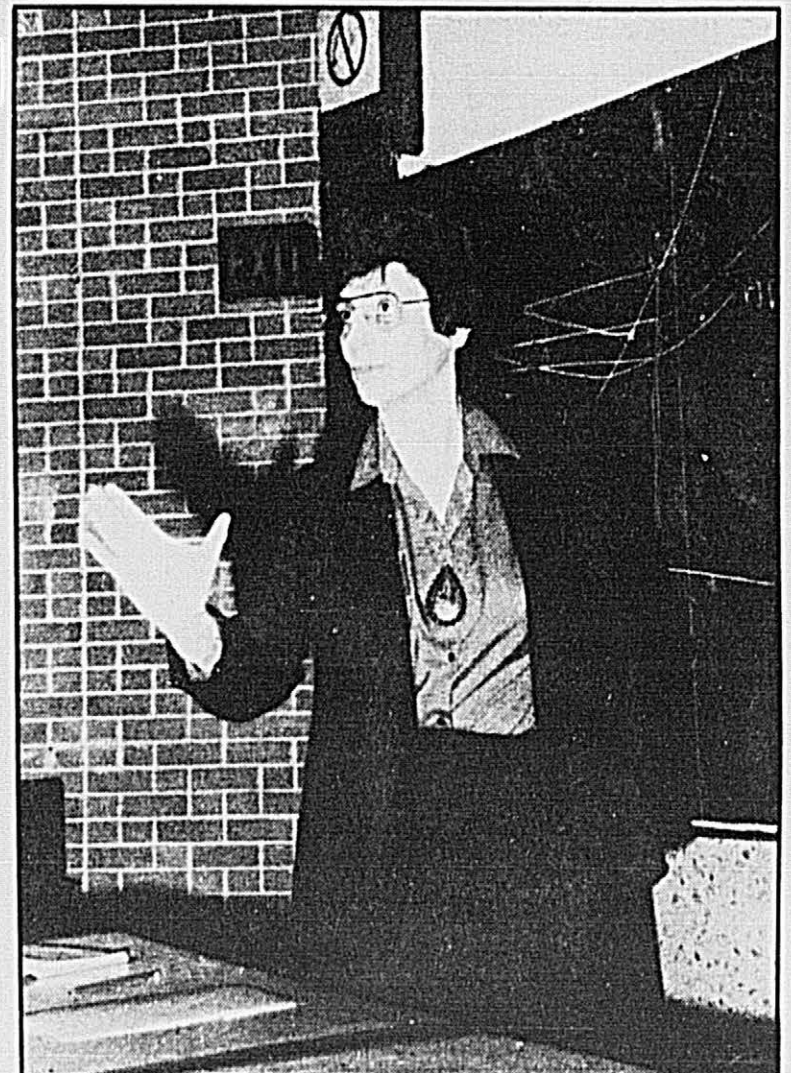
"The role of women has changed," said Haddad. "The question is, can you change it back?"

Conservative religious organisations such as the Muslim brotherhood have suggested that by westernizing women themselves are becoming the "agent of the destruction of society." Many men and women are calling for a return to the nurturing role of mother, wife and doctor, in society as a whole.

Haddad cited a survey among Arab women, 50 per cent of whom were college-educated and only one per cent of whom were illiterate, which found that 50 to 70 per cent did not know what women's liberation was. But the same survey also found that 80-100 per cent believed liberation lay in religion.

Many women want reforms, but find elements of western feminism anti-male or culturally biased. They feel aspects of Sharia (Koranic) law allow greater practical freedom, and reject the western "consecutive polygamy" of frequent divorce, according to Haddad.

The head of the feminist institution in Jordan called for the reintroduction of polygamy, to overcome the problem of "maidenhood" — single women over 25. This has been an increas-



Professor Yvonne Haddad yesterday at McGill

## Cont Ed elections invalid

By Joe Heath

A delay in Christmas mail service has left Continuing Education students without elected representatives.

The McGill Association of Continuing Education Students (MACES) held a general election December 9, but only seven students showed up to vote.

According to last year's MACES president Sheila Ettinger, notices which had been mailed out to all students were delivered late.

"The people who showed up said they had just got the notice that day, and the day after I heard

from people who had just got them in the mail. I also got a lot of letters. It was quite apparent that the letters weren't delivered on time," said Ettinger.

Six people were elected at the meeting, but according to Ettinger, the results "can't be accepted."

Until a new election can be held, last year's executive, who are no longer students, will retain their positions. They are currently waiting to see how the University responds to the situation. "At the next Senate meeting (January 28) we'll find out what they're going to do," said Ettinger.

ing problem with working women, who are not considered eligible for marriage, and with foreign workers marrying abroad.

Westerners often have misconceptions about the actual role of women in Islamic society. For example, Haddad noted the wife of a Saudi ambassador was met with disbelief when she cited statistics showing 57 per cent of science students in Algerian universities are women. She

believes this prejudice is reinforced in the press.

Haddad also said that the Koran becoming a literary, rather than an oral tradition among the masses, was a type of "protestantization" which was opening the text to a wider range of interpretation.

She also warned against generalizations, as the Arab and Islamic worlds are composed of diverse cultures.



## events

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**Women's Union:** meeting/discussion 16h00/16h30, Union 423. Info 849-8920.

**McGill International:** CIDA President Margaret Catley-Carlson on "Women: The Future of the Third World", 18h30, LEA 132.

**Library Workshops:** Periodicals, Redpath Info desk, main floor. 13h00-14h00 and 15h00-16h00. Info: 392-4288.

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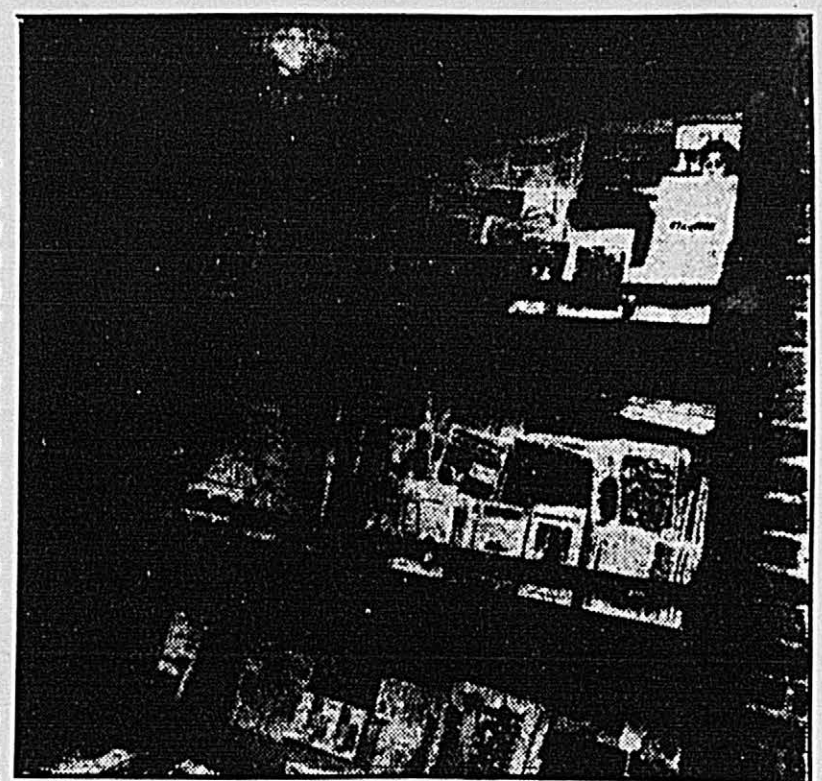


by Lynn Suderman  
and Ron Charles  
*Reprinted from the Link*

Six young people shuffle over the sanded wood floors of the café. A worker shows them the cappuccino and coffee machine they will be using. In the kitchen she points out the equipment for baking breads and preparing full-course vegetarian meals. In the back office she explains how they will soon work on finances. Then back in the café, she shows them the 12 formica tables they will be waiting on.

None of the six people expects to be paid for their work at the café, but they seem enthusiastic.

Café Commune, located at 201 Milton, is one of Montreal's few non-profit worker-controlled enterprises. It survives through the unpaid labour of those who want to see a community-based space where people can eat cheap meals and experience Montreal's



more politically active side.

"Nobody works here for money and it's a problem scheduling the café around other things in your life," says Sara Fisher, a member of the working collective, who does everything from dishes to finances.

Collective member Barb MacQuarrie says no real demands are made on workers' lives: "There are different levels of participation but everyone has the same say in making decisions."

The café's collective has consisted of anywhere from five to twenty members, and burn out is a regular and expected occurrence according to Fisher.

"It's nice that you can step in and step out and know it can continue," says MacQuarrie who left the café for a year to work in Guatemala.

Decisions are always made through collective consensus. "It's worker run," says Fisher. "No management. No staff. We work things out until we all agree."

Fisher says jobs are supposed to be rotated among collective members, but occasionally some people do the same jobs over and over.

"Sometimes males end up doing certain things and females end up doing certain things...that problem has never been solved," says Fisher.

The café began five years ago in

the Milton Park Housing Co-op. The space, on the corner of Milton and St. Famille streets, was a grocery store that had been burnt out.

"A lot of people sank their own money into it, but no one from the original group is involved anymore," says Fisher. "They had a lot of ideas of what a worker run enterprise is like...they wanted more of a community café. They had plans that workers could eventually have salaries. Initially there was a community library."

Leslie Luske, who was involved with the library just before it folded, says the collective decided to spend more of its energy on the kitchen.

"The library had about five thousand books," Luske says. "(But) people weren't using it and items were disappearing...we were just putting a lot of energy into it."

A drawing of a dragon with an outstretched wing frames the Café's front window where the café's name is written in modern white Letrasign.

"The dragon sort of came from the original people involved," says MacQuarrie. "It means fantasy and strength and freedom."

When the café first appeared it had no formal list of rules for the

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## Student fights course materials fee

*Reprinted from The Link*

Students will know by the end of this month whether or not the university can charge course materials fees.

Bettina Rosenberg, a Concordia sociology student, will face the university in small claims court on January 29 because she says the university broke her contract when it added \$105 to her tuition fees.

Concordia students sign a contract with the university which sets out specific fee schedules.

Concordia's \$3.50 per credit "academic materials fee" was instituted last June. Students are being told that the fee, which will raise \$1.8 million, will go towards paying for photocopies, audio-visual, computer and lab equipment.

Says Rosenberg, "I don't think it was right to put this fee on. If they had given us warning last year and put it on our contract then I would have paid. But it is not on my contract and it is not an omission or something they forgot."

Rosenberg is being backed by the Concordia Students' Association (CUSA). CUSA co-president Karen Takacs is advising students not to pay the fee.

"Our lawyer said students are not obliged to pay the fee," she said.

Rosenberg, who sits on CUSA's student council, said the fee was the administration's way of getting around the tuition fee freeze. "The university changed the fee's name three times to make it legal and get it passed by the government," she said. "It's obviously just to cover the deficit."

Meanwhile, the university's administration is remaining silent on the matter. Lucie Beauchemin,



Assistant to the Rector, says she cannot comment on the case since it is now a legal matter.

"Once the matter goes to the courts, comments may be construed as being in contempt of court," she said.

In the past the administration has argued that the undergraduate and graduate calendars state that

fees are subject to change without prior notice. CUSA contends because notice doesn't appear on the contract, any fees stipulated on the contract are final and not subject to change. Any attempt to change the fee would be a breach of contract.

McGill students do not sign a contract with the university.

by Chris Lawson

Housework, three-dimensional comic books and obituaries were the order of last night's meeting of McGill Students' Council.

### news analysis

Council warmed up for future epic meetings by spending the maximum three hours on bylaws, committee elections and a remedial grammar lesson or two.

Council voted to allow students to nominate more than one candidate for a position in Society elections, reversing the previous bylaw.

François Longpré, who introduced the motion, said, "The nomination process should be one that encourages the largest number of students to offer their services to the society."

Grace Ann Baker, Vice President University Affairs, spoke against the motion, saying, "With a student body as large as McGill's, there should be no pro-

blem getting the required signatures."

Peter Nixon, Arts rep. favoured the change. "The more nominations you have, the more choice you have and the more democratic it is," he said.

In other bylaw matters, Council amended the word 'breach' to read 'breach' to avoid any embarrassment over election underwear regulations.

The council was saddened to learn that veteran councillor Daron Westman had resigned his post as Graduate representative to

take on a part-time teaching position.

Paul Pickersgill, Students' Society President, lamented Westman's departure, saying that council's experience with Daron was "for the most part, enjoyable."

Councillor Westman could not be reached for comment.

In other Council business, the Society's annual General Meeting was tentatively scheduled for the 28th of this month.

The bylaws have yet to be approved in total.

## Lack of news marks council meeting



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# Give Haiti a chance

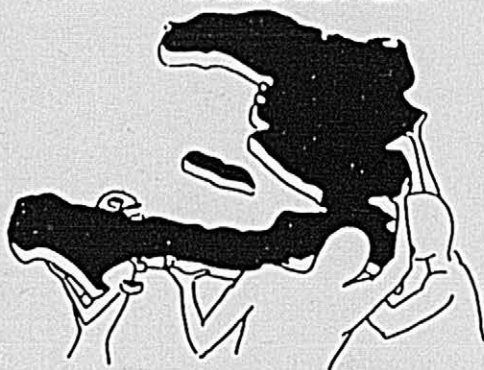
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CIUS Haiti, the Comité initiative urgence solidarite, a committee set up by Haitians living in Canada to help those in need in Haiti, is holding a lottery February 8. The money will be used to set up community projects in the more destitute regions of Haiti.

CIUS Haiti was set up in November, 1985, in response to the rising hope for a Haiti free of dictatorship. The committee adopted the name CIUS in memory of Jean Robert Cius, one of the youths assassinated in the Gonaïves region in November, 1985.

The money will be funneled through existing non-governmental social agencies already established in Haiti. Funds raised will be divided among educational projects (30 per cent), health clinics (30 per cent) and grass-roots agricultural training programmes (40 per cent). Additionally, AQuOCI, the Québec association of inter-

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Brigitte Elie

## letters

### Sports violence not glorified

#### To the Daily:

In the January 12th edition, Susie Petersiel and Brendan Weston called for non-violent sports reporters to write for the paper. They indicated sports journalism in their article as responsible for creating senseless rivalries and causing violence in these contests by their use of violent words to describe the competition. The article stated that "rarely, if ever, do the groups have any real differences between them."

I disagree. When two teams enter the competitive arena, their difference is that at the end of the match one team is a winner and the other a loser. Organized sports at any level have a set of rules and regulations that govern them. Officials enforce these rules and penalize infractions plain and simple. In sporting events from time to time, violence breaks out such as in Czechoslovakia recently, I think it is gravely erroneous to state that sports casters glorify violence and even incite it among fans and competitors. Anyone who watched the game between Canada and the Soviet Union at the World Junior Hockey Championships saw a game that was very rough and poorly officiated thereby leading to the brawl.

In my opinion, as Sports Director at Radio McGill, campus reporters have not glorified violence and will not. Their descriptions while colourful at times focus mainly on McGill players and their achievement.

Ken Muss  
Sports Director, Radio McGill

### Warmth and love

#### To the Daily:

I am writing to you about the cynical and sarcastic views of Christmas in your Dec. 4 issue (Vol. 76, No. 29). On page three, you depict the holy manger with an A-Bomb exploding in the background. Then you tell us that you are "tired of clichés and capitalistmas schlock and proceed to take potshots at various world leaders."

Yes, a lot of people are making money because of the Christmas shopping spree. Yes, capitalism loves Christmas. It's also a time of happiness, warmth and love for most of us. We see family and friends, eat and drink more than we should, and give presents to people whom we like and love by spending silly amounts of money. It's crazy but sweet and it only happens once a year. So you see, it's not just "capitalistmas schlock" or "clichés" but a really good feeling that most people enjoy anew every year. It's a shame your cynicism prevents you from enjoying more out of life, especially during this festive season.

An editorial has the tradition for presenting to its readers the best journalism that a paper has to offer. In this December 4 article, I believe that your editorial staff demonstrated their best.

Will Jones  
History, U3

## comment

# Gazette brings hatred to your door, again.

On November 2, 1984, the *Montréal Gazette* ran an editorial graphic by its resident artist Aislin. The graphic depicted a bearded, baboon-like animal perched on a stoop, wearing a turban and holding a rifle in its hand. A sign saying "Radical Sikh, Don't Feed" hung beneath the swinging bar.

The day before, *Gazette* ombudsperson Clair Balfour wrote in his column, "News media have moved a long way toward elimination of stereotypes...which cast all members of a group or class in an unfavourable light."

Seven days into 1987 the *Gazette* once again made clear its commitment to combatting racism by running the graphic shown above. Balfour's statement was disproven the day after it appeared in the *Gazette* two years ago. Not much has changed.

The *Gazette*'s most recent display of racial 'humour' trivializes the plight of any non-white, non-English speaking refugee or immigrant. The decision to leave one's country as a refugee is far from trivial.

It is ethnocentric to assume that people who leave their homelands are driven by hopes of accumulating "bungalow...carport...oldsmobile...oven microwave," and not because of religious, ethnic economic or political persecution. Though immigrants may come to settle in Canada and strive for a North American standard of living, many refugees come seeking temporary asylum from war or any of the above-mentioned persecutions.

To plunge oneself into a strange and often alienating foreign environment, after breaking ties with family and friends (possibly forever) is a serious decision. The family in Aislin's graphic hardly gives the impression that Turkish refugees are fleeing harsh military rule.

In a French-speaking province, it also seems a bit backward to (presumably) attempt to make a social comment by ridiculing someone's inability to speak English.

Three years ago the commercial media was whipping up hysteria over 'Sikh radicalism.' Now, with the sudden

'onslaught' of Turkish refugee claimants the *Gazette* is doing its share to fan the flames of public hostility in Québec once more.

For every story that carries a negative racial or ethnic bias, the slurred community suffers a backlash. Stories about tax burdens on Québécois created by housing, food, and other services to Turkish refugees stigmatize the entire Turkish community.

Already many refugees suffer a painful paradox: they cannot divulge the reasons for leaving their countries for fear of repercussion if they are refused and have to return home. But many refugees who are in dire need of asylum are being refused refugee status because they will not give the reason for their claim.

Stereotypical, cartoon images of what can only be assumed to be Turkish refugees only further dehumanize people who already face myriad burdens in coming to Canada. Last week, 20 people gathered outside the Canadian Immigration offices in downtown



Montréal to protest the arrival of Turkish refugees as a threat to Québec culture. Are Turkish-Canadians living in Québec not Québécois?

It is only just over 40 years since thousands of Japanese-Canadians, deemed a potential threat to 'national security,' were uprooted and faced with either deportation to Japan (a country in which many had never set foot), or imprisonment in internment camps.

Today the camps are gone, but the hatred that allowed many Japanese-Canadians to be interned is still alive and well.

The media played an integral role in stimulating paranoia about the "Japs" during and after World War II.

Judging by the two *Gazette* graphics alone, the commercial media has hardly made a stern effort to shirk its reprehensible past.

Mike Gordon

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# Blue and white and white and white and white...

## Police blinded by colour

by Chris Lawson

The police officer stops you on the street. He's a white guy with a mustache. He's tall, burly and he's got a gun.

If you're black, asian, east indian or any one of Montréal's visible minorities, he probably doesn't like you already.

He asks you where you're going, where you live, what you do, and if you can prove it. He stares at you as you reach for your wallet. He shoots the odd glance at you as he goes through your ID. He takes down your home address and gets your phone number. Then he lets you go.

There's sweat on your forehead, but you've not broken any laws.

"For black people, this is an everyday thing," says Alix Jean, a social worker at the Black Community Council of Québec (BCCQ).

Jean says that although there have been no studies done on police harassment of people of colour, research wouldn't prove anything that was 't already common knowledge in the black community. "You meet any black person you see on the street and three out of five would be able to tell you of at least one incident where they had been harassed by the police."

From simple harassment to brutality and even murder, the Montréal Urban Community (MUC) Police force is manifestly uglier in its dealings with Montréal's non-white communities.

Jean uses the example of a simple hold-up in a corner store to demonstrate how the racist attitudes of many police officers manifests itself: "If the suspect is black, anyone black in the vicinity gets stopped. When it's a caucasian suspect, they need a detailed description," say Jean, or they don't stop anybody.

Part of Jean's job at the BCCQ is monitoring blacks' complaints about the police. He told the story of one woman who had been forced to go to a police station, clad only in a bathrobe, to be questioned. She was held for over four hours because her neighbour had lodged a complaint against her.

Although blacks have been living in Montréal for over two decades, "it has been like living in exile," says Don Phillips, president of the Notre Dame de Grace Black Community Association. "Up to now, the system has always rejected the needs of black people — the police are just part of the problem."

Phillips says Montréal's police have been "very arrogant towards blacks, especially in

instances where police have overstepped their bounds and inflicted injuries on black people."

Part of the problem Jean says he has in fighting police harassment of his community is the difficulty in getting blacks to come out and demand their rights. "It (harassment) becomes so much of a routine that you begin to think of it as a normal thing," he says.

But while harassment can, and often must, be tolerated, it inevitably leads to much worse.

In March of last year, Mohammed Abassise, a Moroccan, died in police custody.

Police arrived at Abassise's apartment when his neighbours complained that the Abassises' were playing their music too loud. Abassise's widow said the police beat her husband in front of her and their children. When she followed the police to Station 13 in Dorval, she was told by an officer, "leave or you'll get your ass kicked."

Later, on the day of Abassise's arrest, an MUC officer dropped by their apartment and asked Mrs. Abassise if her husband had "ever had a heart attack."

Mrs. Abassise heard about her husband's death on the radio the next morning. Police claimed he had committed suicide. But Abassise was a devout muslim, and suicide is against the tenets of Islam.

The Montréal police are "not too pleasant" to Chinese people either, says Connie Toye, director of the Chinese Neighbours' Association, "especially when they hear Chinese people cannot speak French like a Quebecois."

MUC Police Chief Roland Gourget admits there is a problem: "Police don't always show enough patience, particularly with minorities," he says.

But Gourget is quick to add that the police department "will take severe action against any officer showing a lack of respect for visible minorities." The MUC police force has recently launched an awareness campaign showing films and supplying readings on the issue to combat racism amongst police officers.

Awareness program or not, there is little minority representation on the city's police force. There are only five black officers and one chinese officer on a force of over 4000

men and women.

Says Gourget, "a disproportionate number of recruits come from the outlying areas where the minority populations are miniscule."

Jean sees affirmative action programs as part of the solution to the problem. "There is a certain reality that if you have people who can relate to the people they serve," he says, "they will be better able to do the job." But MUC hiring policies aren't aimed at

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Police brutality will be one of the incendiary topics debated at open meetings of the Montréal Urban Community (MUC) public-security committee that will be held monthly starting this year.

The committee, composed of civilians, has served as a police watchdog since 1983 but has only held two open meetings per year in the past. The increased accessibility is part of a new policy of openness that the Montréal Citizen's Movement (MCM) promised to initiate when they took power last year.

Committee chair, Jean Corbeil, said the Civic Party wanted to keep the meetings private until "they realized that they could hold them in public without any damage. If necessary, we will still hold some of them in camera (closed session)," when a continuing police investigation is being discussed, for example.

"It's an evolution of the laws that originated the committee," he explained. The MCM has "revamped all the committees."

The first meeting is on January 29, but will only be a sort of "orientation session. We have a large shopping list to discuss which issues we will give priority orders to," he said, "such as complaints and police brutality."

Rotrand was asked to table a draft proposal for a new police disciplinary code at the first meeting.

Other proposed issues that the committee will debate include minority hiring in the police department and dépanneur hold-ups.

Corbeil said that "a new agenda won't be ready until mid-March, at least," which means discussion of issues will be delayed. As well, the meetings will be curtailed during the summer.

Marvin Rotrand, a committee member, said meetings would be held at different places in and around Montréal in an attempt to encourage public involvement. He said there would be newspaper announcements detailing the time and location of the meetings some time soon.



# ...Blue and white and white

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encouraging visible minorities to join the force.

"The police just don't make it too attractive to Chinese people," says Toye. "Once the police hear a Chinese person unable to speak French like a native Quebecois, they become unpleasant."

"This creates a negative impression of the police in young Chinese," she says.

Toye also points out that the MUC's height requirements — 5'7" for men; 5'3" for women — restrict many more Chinese people than whites from joining the force.

A one-year-old program to encourage people of colour to join Montréal's police force has met with no success. According to Jean, the new graduating class has "not a single black in it."

But Phillips says he is optimistic about the future of the program and other police initiatives. "There are certain signs now in the new police administration which encourage minorities to become interested in the police department," he says. "But we will have to wait and see in the long run."

Montréal's newly elected mayor, Jean Doré, said during his election campaign that, "part of the violence (of the police against

minority groups) is due to the fact that there's not enough emphasis on the fact that they're (the police) not there to beat people up."

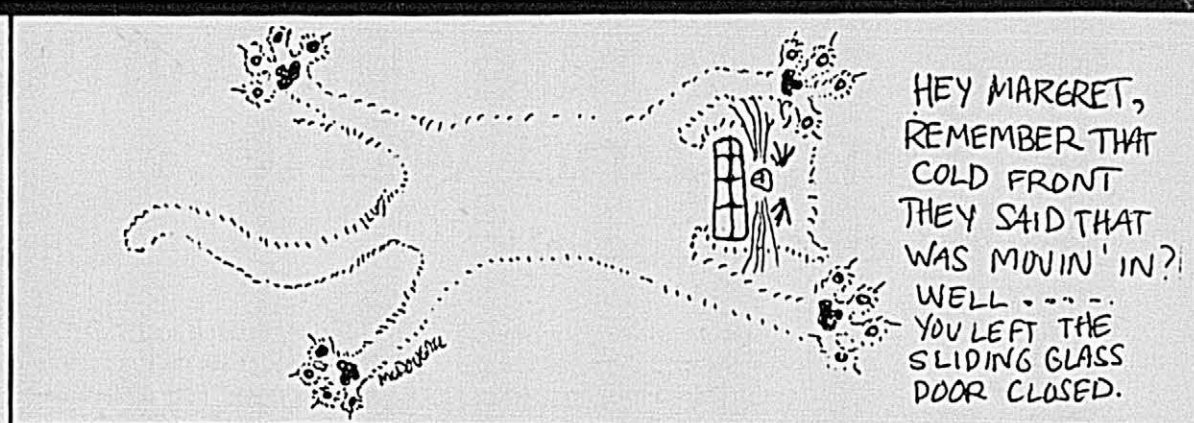
Doré's party, the Montréal Citizens' Movement, promised to initiate "more efforts on including more visible and cultural minorities in the force and to have, eventually, affirmative action programs."

Jean says he's skeptical: "It's a question of election promises, and whether they'll live up to them."

Phillips says governments usually "don't heed warnings until it's too late. Kids growing up now are not immigrants. They look at Canada as their home, and unless Canada is prepared to accommodate them, there will be serious problems."

Police, says Jean, have to get rid of their racist attitudes. "Just because they see you in a car — you're not supposed to have a car if you're black — they stop you. Why? Because there's been a car reported stolen somewhere. That kind of discrimination has to end."

"The police represent authority in Canada, and there has been flagrant abuse of this authority by the MUC police," says Jean. "The continued harassment of the black community and other minority communities must stop."



## ... Ideology in practice

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workers or customers. Within a year they realized an outline of the various ideals and goals was necessary for everyday use. The manifesto, as it is called, states the café's policy.

The manifesto ensures equality among the workers and explains the idea of self-management. It also discourages people who want to work at the café but who don't share the same objectives. Long-term success depends on agreement among all the collective members, even if their personal politics vary widely.

The manifesto is explicit about the Café Commun/e not becoming a money-making venture. It says the preservation of its role within the community is most important: "Even if the financial success of the Café Commun/e is essential for its survival as a self-managed collective, its political goals must always come before commercial considerations."

In most jobs you apply and you're hired, but at the café anyone who feels comfortable with the whole anti-authoritarian atmosphere is welcome to con-

tribute, according to café worker Sherry Arnott.

Customers eating there for the first time are surprised by the Café's casual style.

The staff is likely to jump in on conversation or start political discussions. The coffee pot is left within easy access of everyone, encouraging patrons to help themselves. Often they are left to their own resources for hours at a time.

"Where else can you come and sit and drink a coffee all afternoon without getting hassled?" says MacQuarrie.

Many customers go to the café because it is one of the few vegetarian restaurants in Montréal. At the moment it is revising its menu, trying to provide a wide variety of food without discouraging workers learning to cook.

Despite its central location, Café Commun/e does not depend on the universities for clientele. The Milton park neighborhood has many housing co-operatives and community groups, making it more stable than the nearby student ghetto.

Often in the evenings, when the café is not open for regular business, different groups use the space for fund-raising or as a forum for poetry and music.

"The idea is to be a place where more can happen than just eating," says Fisher. Events range from a presentation and talk on the Greenham Common women's peace camp to a recent benefit for a local day-care.

"We sell about thirty specials a day, that's about thirty to forty-five people and if there's a special event we're filled to capacity," says MacQuarrie.

A policy of charging only a token fee to groups renting the space, and of keeping the price of the daily special to \$3.25, does prevent them from making money beyond the expenses. Several times during the summer, when only Sunday brunch was offered, the café held fund-raising activities of its own.

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### Erratum

The article "Residents may face point of no return" contained a misleading statement. It is not the Senate Committee on University Residence which is recommending limiting second year students in residence, but the sub-committee of the Senate Committee. The *Daily* apologizes for the error.



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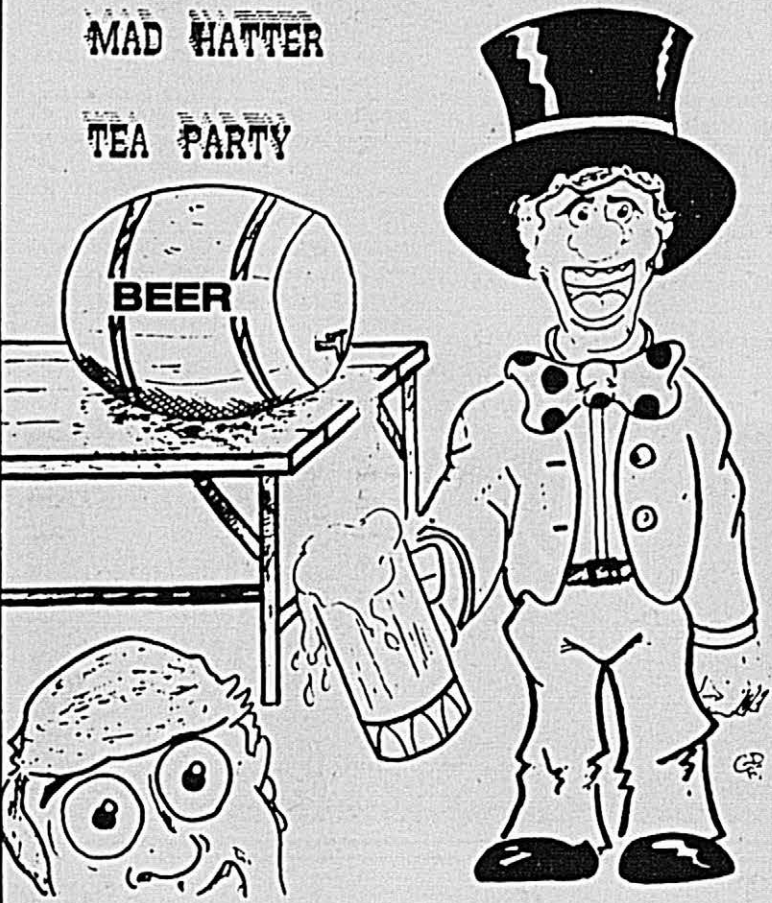
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